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## MEMORANDUM TO THE HEADS OF ALL DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

The Personnel Security Advisory Committee, in connection with its coordinating and advisory functions relating to the federal personnel security program, is undertaking a survey of the current status of the program and other related matters. In doing so, the Committee recognizes that in the past some departments and agencies have regularly and commendably apprised the Committee of matters of interest to Committee operations. However, available records are sufficiently incomplete to warrant uniform and specific inquiry of all departments and agencies with respect to the information now being solicited. Accordingly, it is requested that the departments and agencies furnish to the Personnel Security Advisory Committee in writing on or before May 10, 1957, or as soon thereafter as possible, the following information:

- 1. The tetal number of positions designated as sensitive by each department or agency as of May 1, 1957. If an accurate total cannot be accomplished without appreciable inconvenience or expense, a close approximation will be acceptable. It is requested that approximations be identified as such.
- 2. The total number of terminations of employment effected in each department or agency under the provisions of the Act of August 26, 1950, between May 27, 1953, the date Executive Order 10450 became effective, and June 11, 1956, the date of the Cole v. Young decision.
- 3. The name of any employee suspended or terminated under the provisions of the Act of August 26, 1950, between June 11, 1956, and May 1, 1957, the date of such suspension or termination, a copy of the charges furnished in the case and, if termination has not occurred, the final disposition or present status of the case.
- 4. The name of each employee terminated from a non-sensitive position under the provisions of the Act of August 26, 1950, between May 27, 1953, and June 11, 1956, the present status of the case, with dates of personnel actions, including supplemental investigation, where appro-

6. The name of any employee reinstated or restored to duty under the decision in Cole v. Young, and on the rolls of the department or agency as of May 1, 1957, in whose case the department or agency as of May 1, 1957, feels clearance under the reasonable doubt as to loyalty standard found in the Civil Service regulations (5 CFR 2.106 (a)(7)) is not warranted.

It is requested, also, that hereafter the Personnel Security Advisory Committee be apprised of any change of status in those cases involving employees reinstated or restored to duty under the Cole v. Young decision.

Following distribution of my memorandum of April 9, 1957, to the heads of all departments and agencies announcing continuation of the Personnel Security Advisory Committee to be comprised of a representative group of experienced security officials as permanent members, the Committee received inquiries as to whether departments and agencies not permanently represented on the Committee will be apprised of Committee activities. You are assured that the Committee will keep all departments and agencies advised on matters of mutual interest relating to Committee activities and the operation of the personnel security program.

Your prompt cooperation in furnishing the above requested information will be greatly appreciated.

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